

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	DATE	<u><b>August 12, 2020</b></u>
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	DOCKET NO.	<u><b>2020-14-C</b></u>
UTILITIES MATTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ORDER NO.	<u><b>2020-521</b></u>

**THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.**

**Order Directing Staff to File High Cost Certification for Certain Carriers**

**SUBJECT:**

[DOCKET NO. 2020-14-C](#) - Request for Certification of the Use of Universal Service Funds Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. 54.314 and Telecommunications Act Section 254(e), Federal Communications Commission CC Docket No. 96-45 (2020), Annual Reports for ETC, Form 555, and Lifeline Re-Certification Report (Also See Docket No. 2014-43-C) – Staff Presents for Commission Consideration the Requests for Certification of the Use of High Cost Universal Service Funds with the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

Twenty-six telecommunications companies have filed affidavits in support of their respective request for certification of use of High Cost Universal Service Fund moneys in 2019 and 2021. These companies are:

- (1) Frontier Communications of the Carolinas, LLC (2 Study Areas);
- (2) United Telephone Company of the Carolinas d/b/a CenturyLink;
- (3) Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc;
- (4) Chesnee Telephone Company;
- (5) TruVista Communications, Inc. (f/k/a Chester Telephone Company);
- (6) Windstream South Carolina, LLC;
- (7) Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.;
- (8) Fort Mill Telephone Company;
- (9) Hargray Telephone Company, Inc.;
- (10) Home Telephone ILEC, LLC.;
- (11) Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc.;
- (12) Lancaster Telephone Company;
- (13) Lockhart Telephone Company;
- (14) McClellanville Telephone Company;
- (15) Norway Telephone Company;
- (16) Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.;
- (17) Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.;
- (18) PBT Telcom, Inc.;
- (19) Ridgeway Telephone Company
- (20) Comporium, Inc. (f/k/a Rock Hill Telephone Company)
- (21) St. Stephen Telephone Company;
- (22) Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc.;
- (23) West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

- (24) Williston Telephone Company;  
 (25) BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T South Carolina; and  
 (26) FTC Communications, LLC d/b/a FTC Wireless

Move to direct Staff to file high cost certification for these carriers properly certifying appropriate use of High Cost funds in 2019 and certifying that they will use High Cost funds appropriately in 2021.

PRESIDING: Randall

SESSION: Regular

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER	
BELSER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		voting via videoconference
ERVIN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		voting via videoconference
HAMILTON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		voting via videoconference
HOWARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		voting via videoconference
RANDALL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		voting via videoconference
WHITFIELD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		voting via videoconference
WILLIAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Absent</u>	Military Leave

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RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding

